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Views Representative of the Wonderful Beauty and Picturesque Scenery to be Found in the Georgian Bay District.

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THE GEORGIAN BAY, with its 30,000 islands, some of them so tiny that on them but a solitary pine finds space to stand, and others lofty and austere table-lands, forty or fifty miles in extent; its magnificent stretches of open water, or again, its broken channels between shores of more than passing beauty; and above all, its rich associations with the storied past, claims its due place in the tourists' attention. Though there are plenty of gay summer resorts where bevies of pleasure craft dotting the waters and tents and cottages nestled in some of the many cosy nooks, betoken the presence in numbers of the wearied city-dweller, the greater part of the forest-fringed shores enjoy the brooding solitude which make the hours spent there abouts by the traveller so refreshing A boat trip through the Bay, with its clear, fresh, northern air, means health and comfort to him who flies from stifling haunts of men.

There is no finer or more varied scenery east of the Rockies than one finds in the Georgian Bay. Spruce and birch-lined shores, or deeply colored, rugged rocks, charming vistas of broken shore line, and pretty towns in sheltered harbors—all these may be watched in everchanging succession Rarely may the traveller see a shore-line of such austere grandeur. From the western land boundary of the Bay, the Bruce Peninsula to the end of the North Channel, there runs an undulating ridge of lofty rock, The rugged limestone cliffs around Wiarton and Owen Sound merge into the purple hazes of the Blue Mountains near Collingwood. Farther on, beyond the slopes behind Parry Sound, where elms wave their shadowy crests and the copse of the cedar is green, a series of high hills becomes more and more lofty until they are sheer eminences of seven hundred feet, such as those seen from La Morandiere Channel.

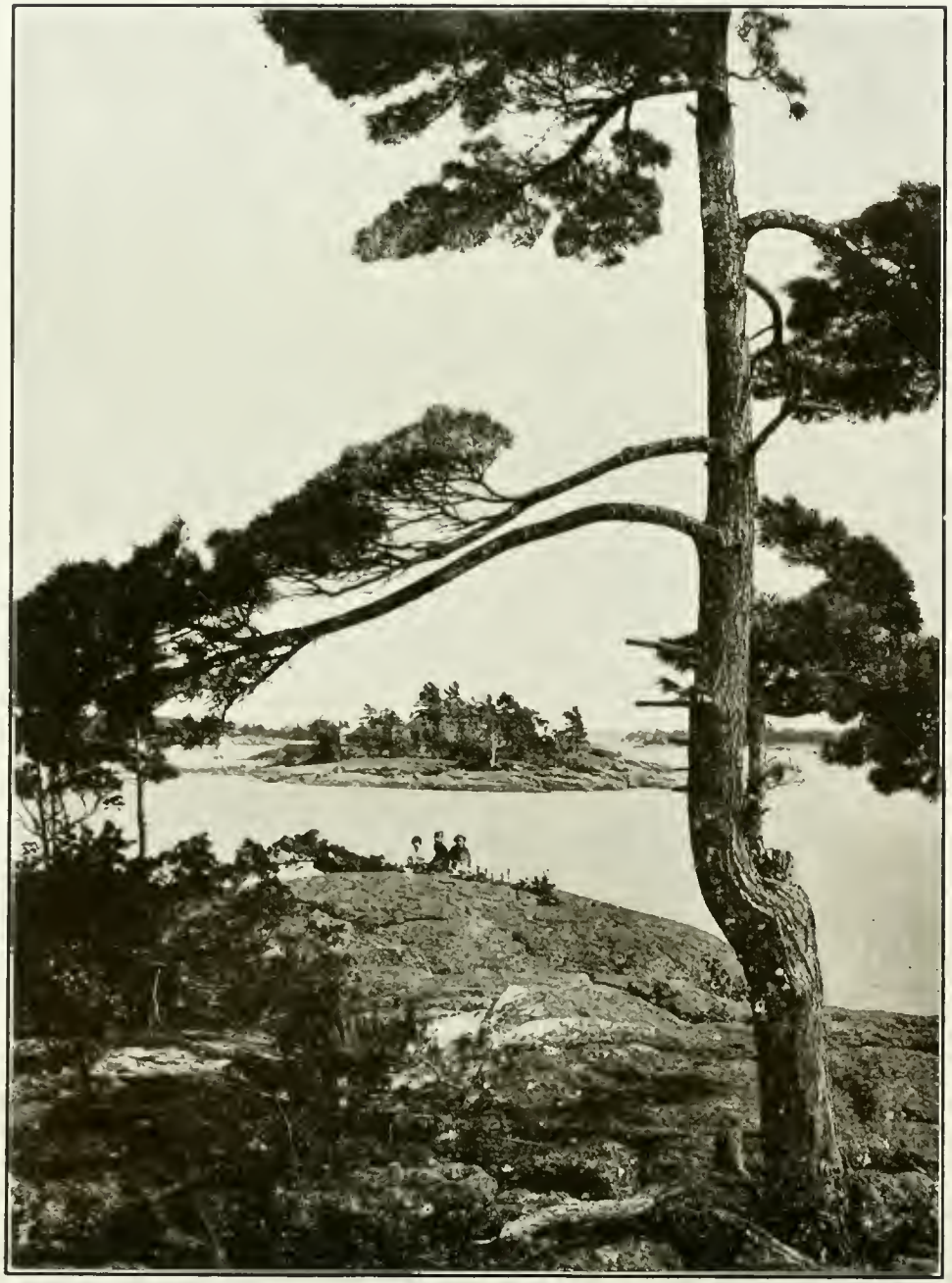
The islands, as well as making their appeal to the artist's eye and adding so greatly to the beauty of the district, are rich with memories of the past. Indeed, few places in Canada remind one so frequently of the early history of our continent as does this vicinity. Off Cabot's Head, the furthermost point of land on the west, there is, so mariners say, a place where two brass cannon may be seen beneath the clear waters, sole reminders of the first European boat, the Griffon, to sail the inland seas. From this point to the end of the North Channel, many of the one hundred and sixty-mile long chain of islands have a story. There are the Flower Pot Islands, only too well known because of the many wrecks which the maddened waters of October and November have cast on their shores, though in hearing of the quaint legend of the runaway lovers who ventured to land on the island and were instantly changed into the rocks which give the name, the romantic imagination of the tourist is awakened. The famous Christian Islands, where the Hurons made their last stand against their Iroquois enemy, and the Nottawasaga district teem with memories of the faithful Jesuit priests who gave their lives to the care of their copper colored "children." Farther on, is Point Colles and the ruins of a French fort, built near its great white fortress rock nearly one hundred and fifty years ago.

At the upper end of the Bay, the Grand Manitoulin Island "girdled by Huron's throbbing and thunder" stands guard over hundreds of smaller islands scattered at its feet, or nestled close to the mainland. Across the channel is La Cloche with the rocks which give its name, because of the fact that many of them on being struck reverberate like a bell

On the Bruce Peninsula near Hope Bay are the remains of a great Indian battlefield where the skeletons are found buried standing upright in pits. These, with the implements of warfare and the hunt, and more than all the names they left behind, help to re-create the stirring pictures of those days to the imaginative mind.

But of what interest to the average two or three weeks holidayer, or even to the cottager who spends his two months on one of the spruce laden islands, is such an inviting paradise if the means of reaching it are unsatisfactory. In this case they are very convenient. The Canadian Pacific and Canadian National Railways will carry the tourists direct to large centers, such as Owen Sound, Collingwood, Midland, Meaford, Wiarton, Parry Sound, Port McNichol or Penetang. From these points the splendid steamers of the Georgian Bay Tourist Co; Chicago, Duluth and Georgian Bay Transit; Owen Sound Transportation Company; Dominion Transportation Company and Canadian Pacific Railway Great Lakes Steamship Service make regular and comprehensive trips. Wonderful motor roads from all the large cities bring the district within easy access

Overhanging Bluff at Cave Point, between Cabots Head and Tobermory



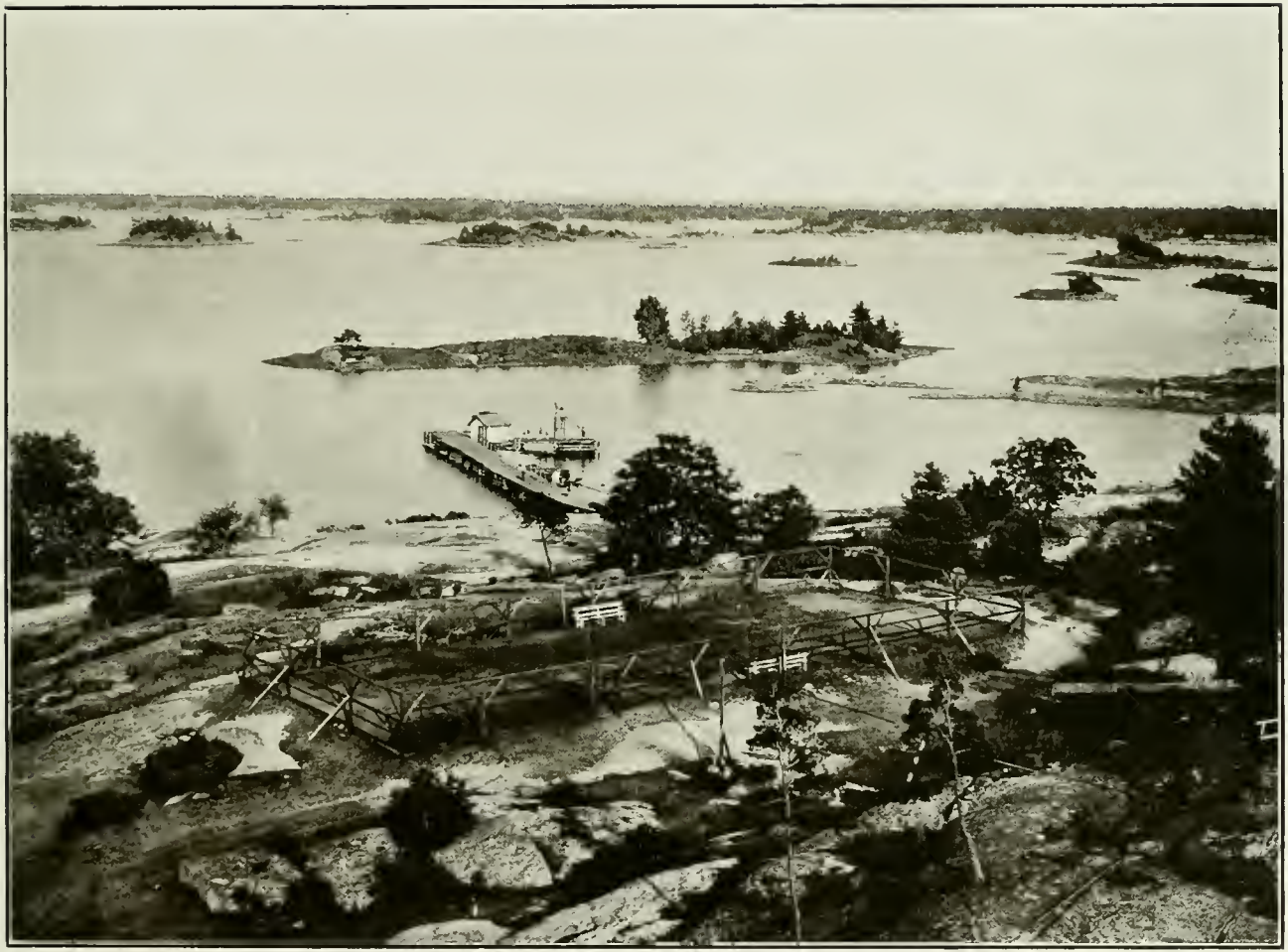
Vista Among the Islands of the East Shore

Entrance to the Great Caves, Flower Pot Island

Above—Go-Home Bay, East Shore
Below—Cottages at Whalen's, East Shore

Inglis' Falls, on the Sydenham River, Owen Sound

Mountain Lake, near Meaford



Among the 30,000 Islands—View from Minnicoganashene

Rapids on the Serpent River, North Shore

"The Hole in the Wall," Among the Islands, near Point au Baril

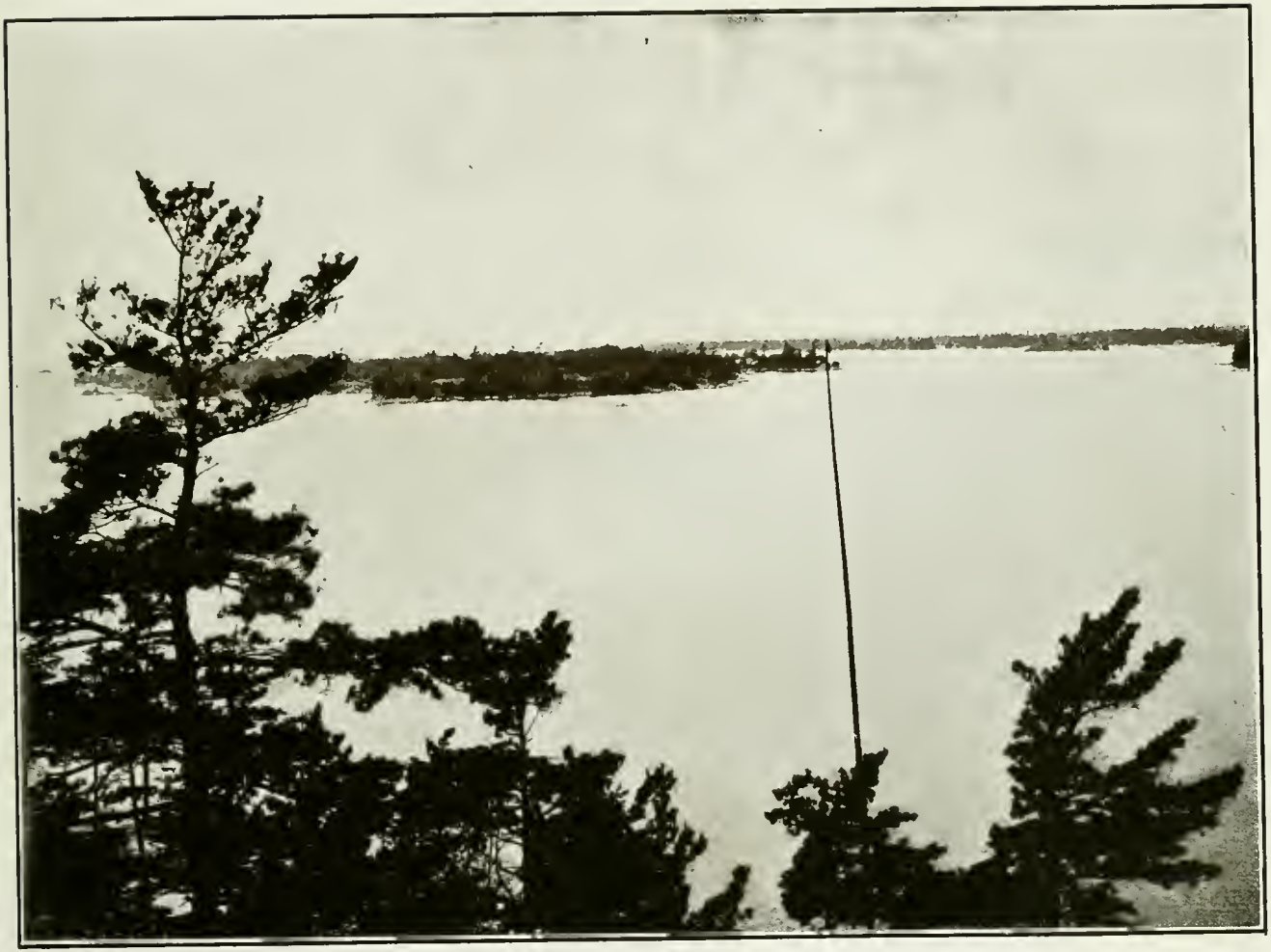
Arch Rock, on the West Hill, overlooking Owen Sound

Approaching "The Narrows," near Parry Sound

The Main Flower Pot, Flower Pot Island

"The Flower Pots,"—Natural Rock Formations on Flower Pot Island

River Scene at Wasaga Beach



Charming Scene Among the Islands of the East Shore

The Bluffs, Great Cloche Island, North Shore

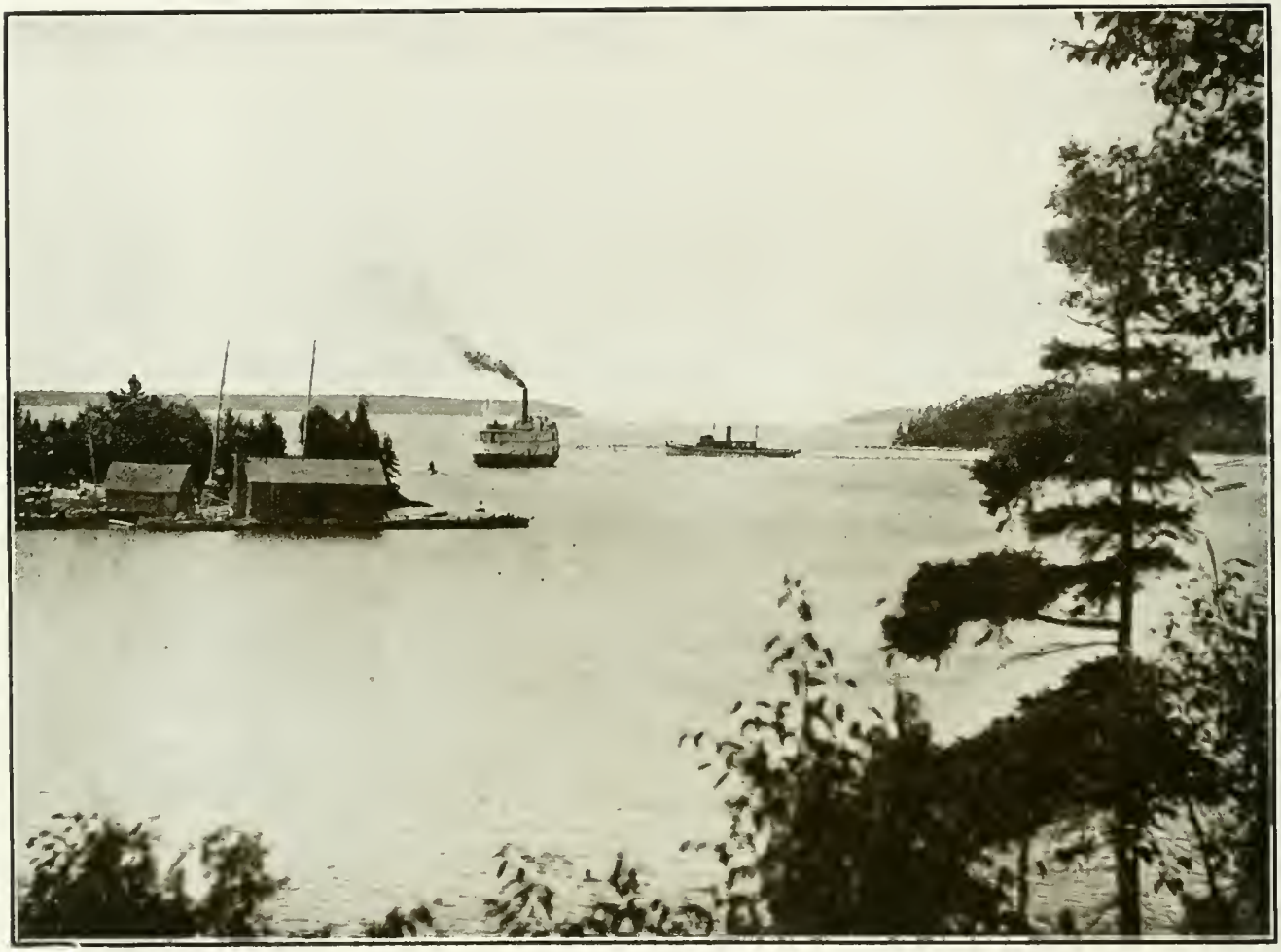
Typical Shore Scene on the Bruce Peninsula

Collingwood Scenes 1—At "The Caves" 2 and 3—Victoria Park 4—On the Pretty River

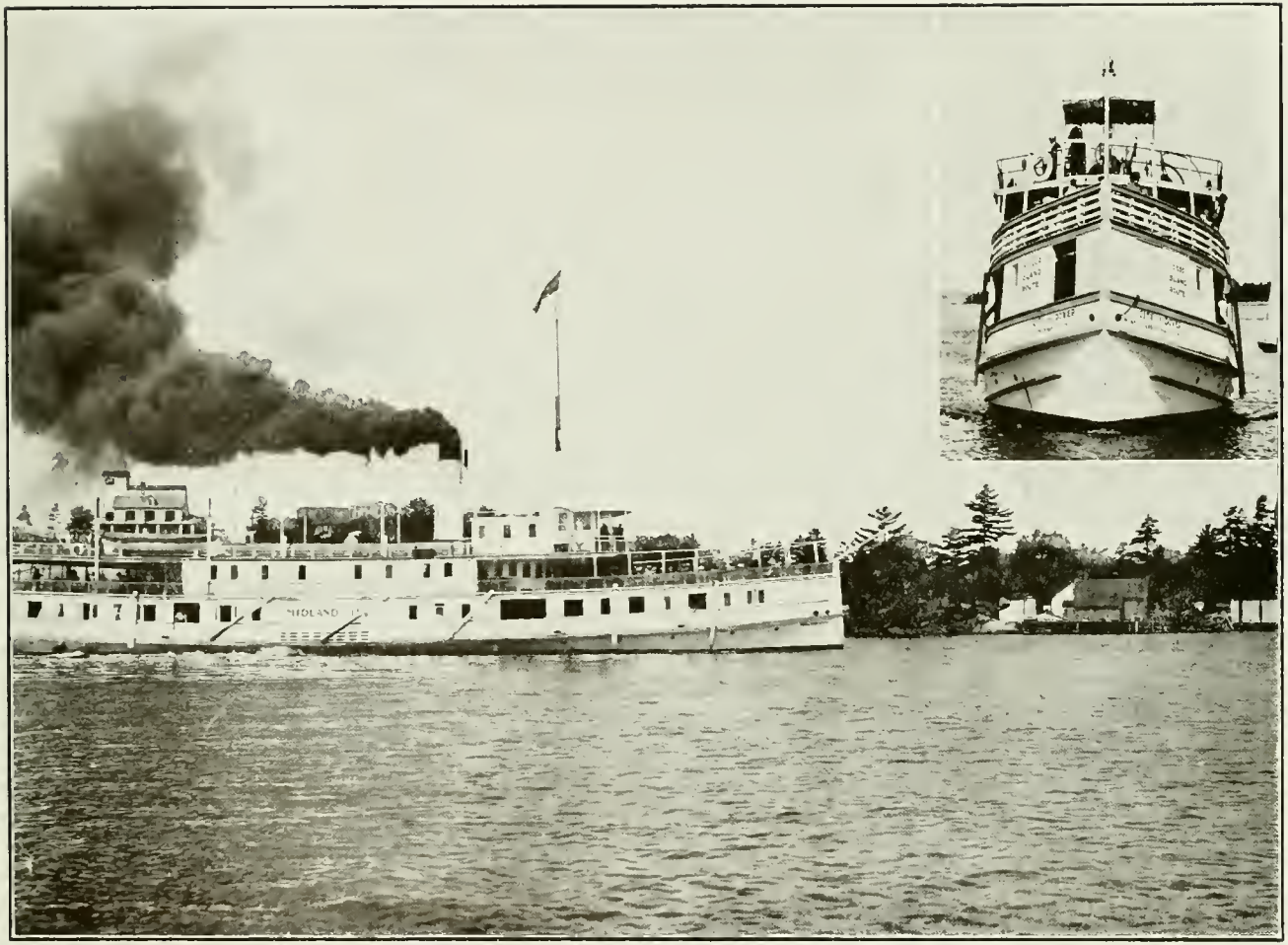
Looking Out on the Georgian Bay from Point au Baril Lighthouse

The Royal Hotel, Honey Harbor, East Shore

Channel at Kensington Point, North Shore



Tobermory Harbor, one of the best Natural Harbors on the Great Lakes



Str. Midland City, leaving Minnicoganachene. Inset, Str. City of Dover

Hemlock Channel—Among the Islands of the East Shore

1—Killarney and the Channel, looking West. 2—Tourist Boats at Killarney Wharf
3—Approaching Killarney from the West.. 4—Leaving for the East

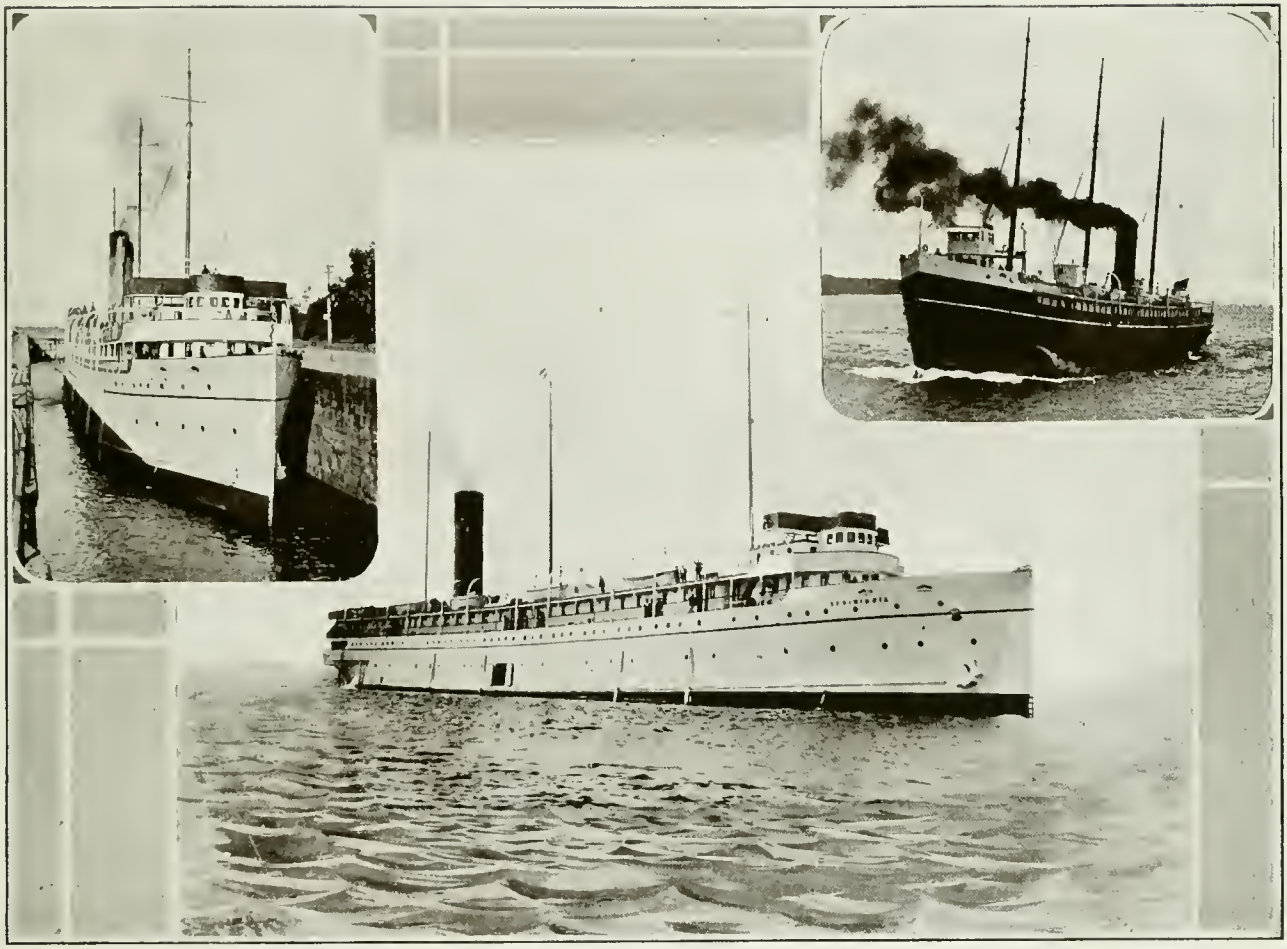
1—Indian Falls on the Indian River, near Owen Sound
2—Jones' Falls on the Pottawa ttami River, near Owen Sound

Ojibway Hotel, Point au Baril

Indian Scenes on Cape Croker Reserve 1—Chief Keeshig and Family 2—Two Close Friends
3—Indian Boys Paddling 4—Indian Family's Summer Camp

Ryan Channel, among the Islands of the East Shore

1—Islands off Tobermory 2—South Bay Islands 3—Cove Island Lighthouse



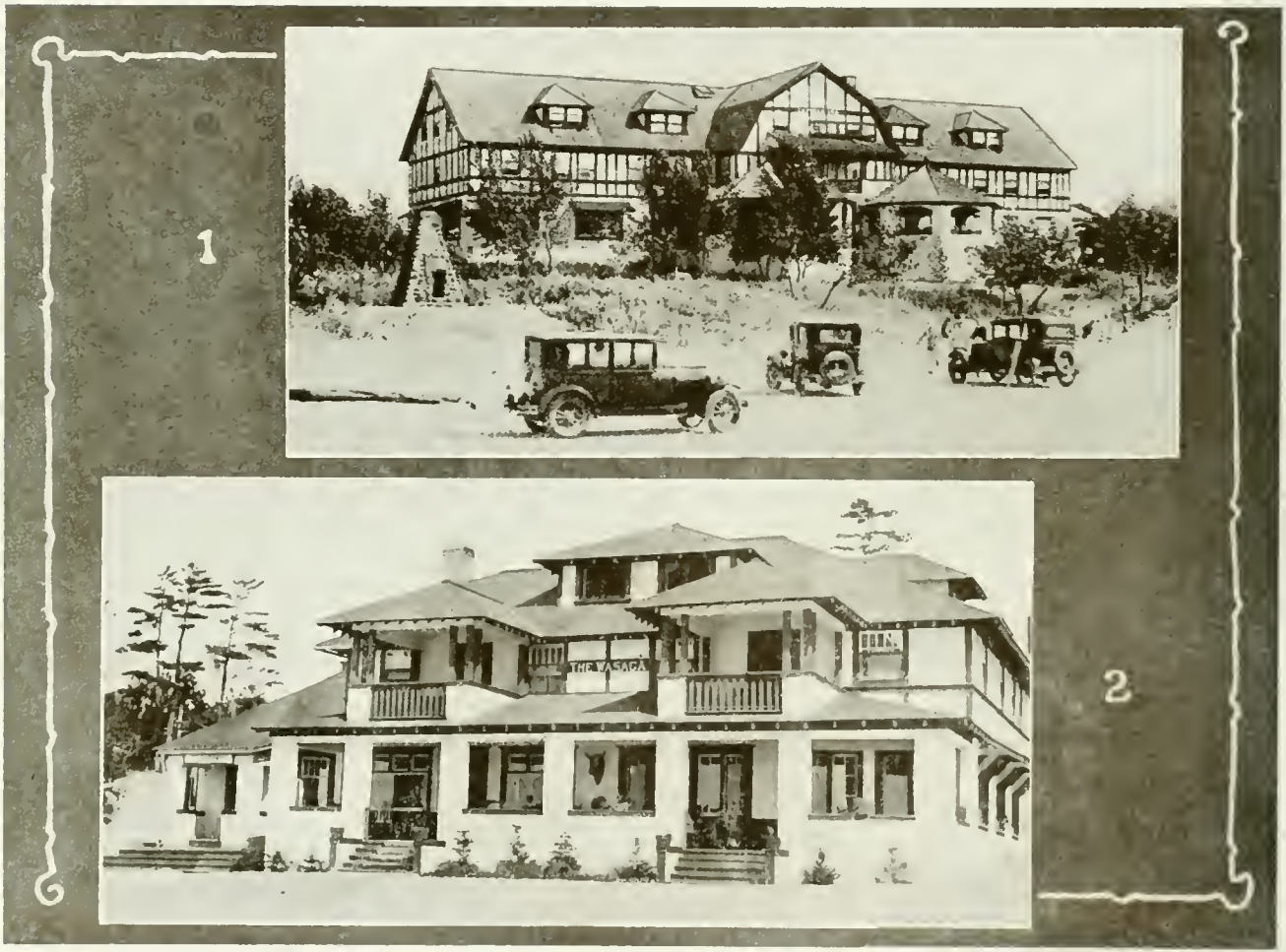
Great Lakes Passenger Steamers of the Canadian Pacific Railway

Top left, S. S. "Keewatin"; top right, S. S. "Manitoba"; lower, Flagship "Assiniboia."

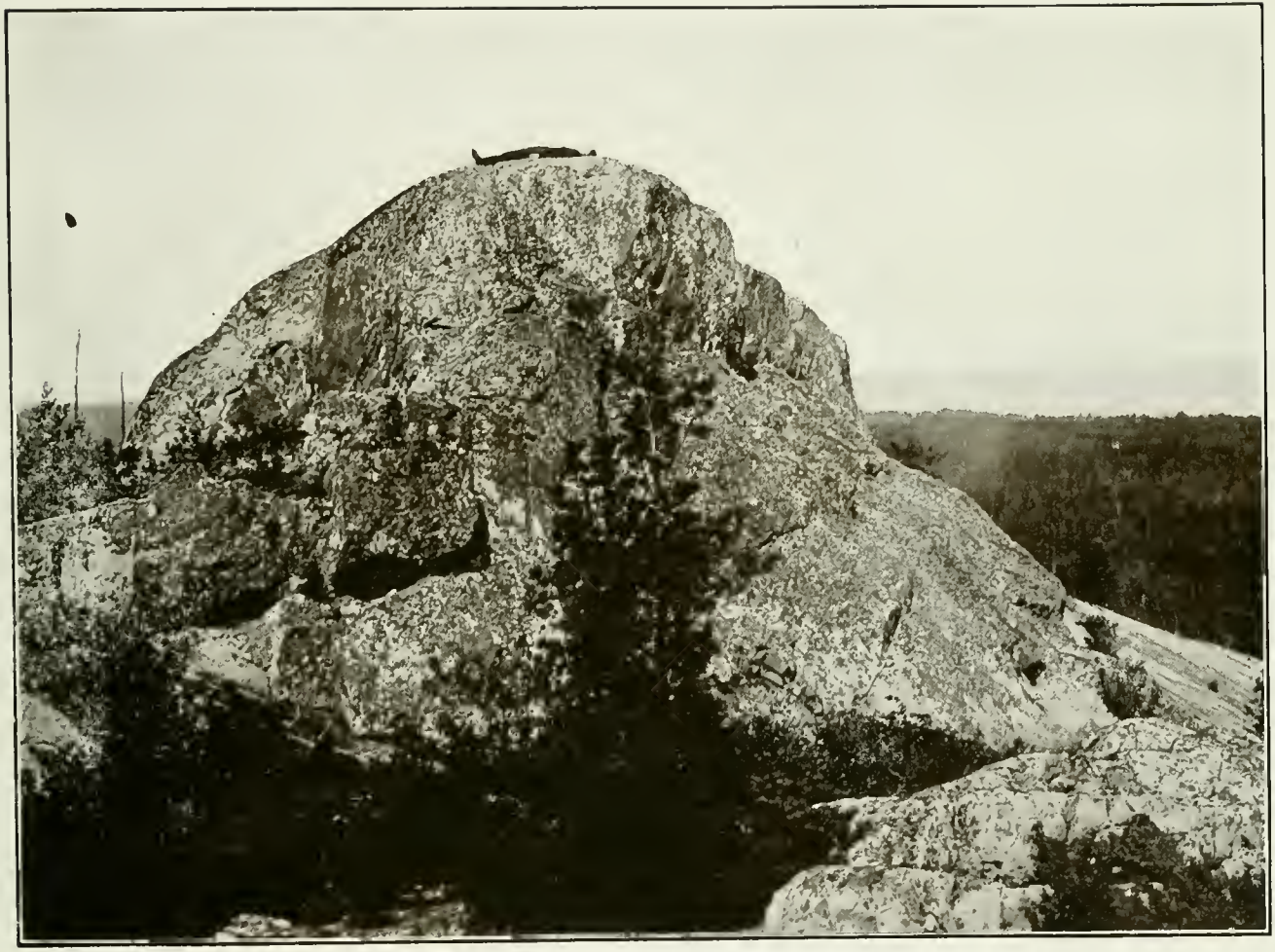
Camping Scene Among the Islands of the North Shore

Fishing Scenes, Near Honey Harbor, Typical of the 30,000 Islands

1—A Catch at Six Mile Lake. 2—Fine Catch Before Breakfast by Pittsburg Lady. 3—Steamer Approaching "Royal," Honey Harbor. 4—Beautiful Catch of Small Mouthed Black Bass. 5—Indian Guide With Three Large Muskelunge.



1—Capstan Inn, Wasaga Beach. 2—The Wasaga Hotel, Wasaga Beach.



Dreamer's Rock, McGregor Bay, North Shore

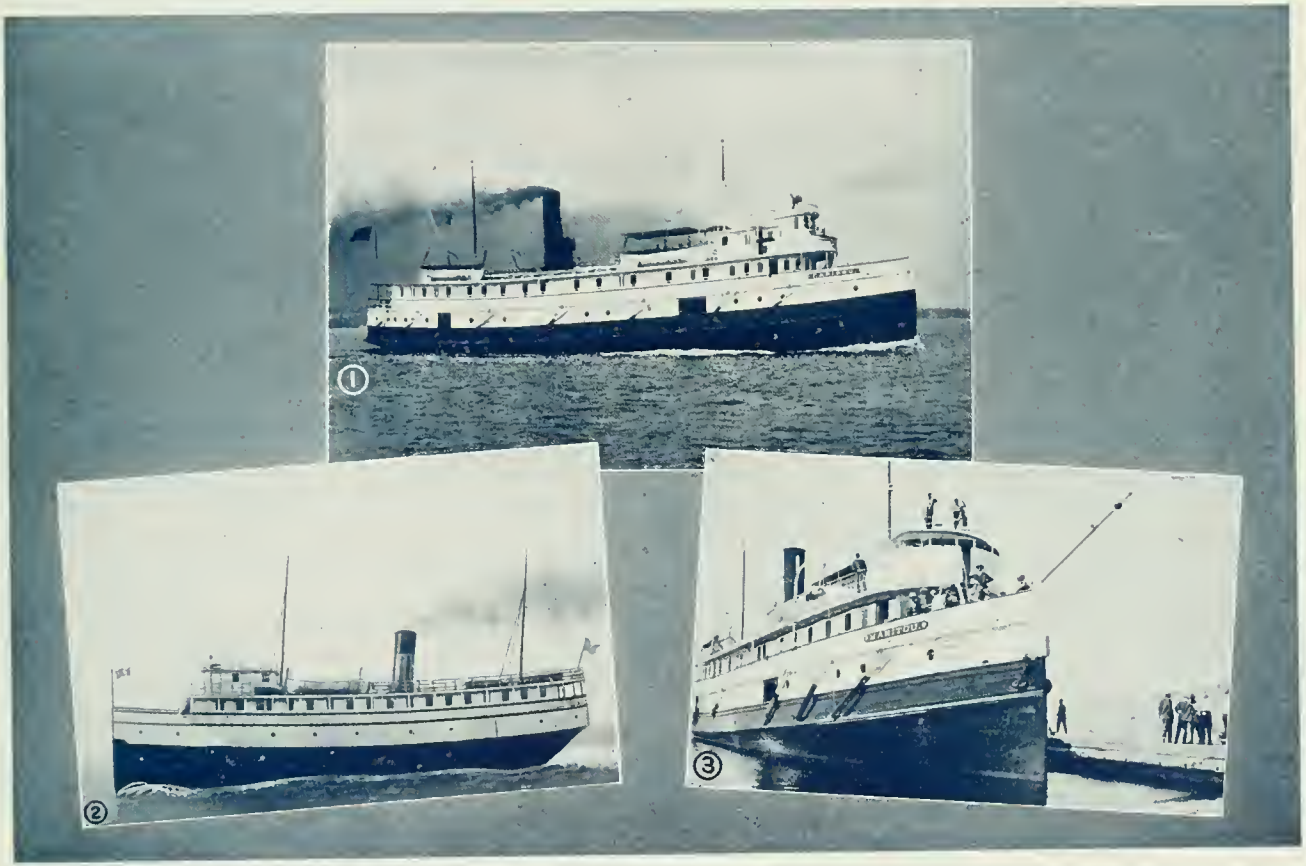
1—Natural Bridge, Lion's Head. 2—Smoky Head, near Lion's Head. 3—The Lion's Head

Str. Manitoulin of the Owen Sound Transportation Co. Line.

Among the Thirty Thousand Islands.

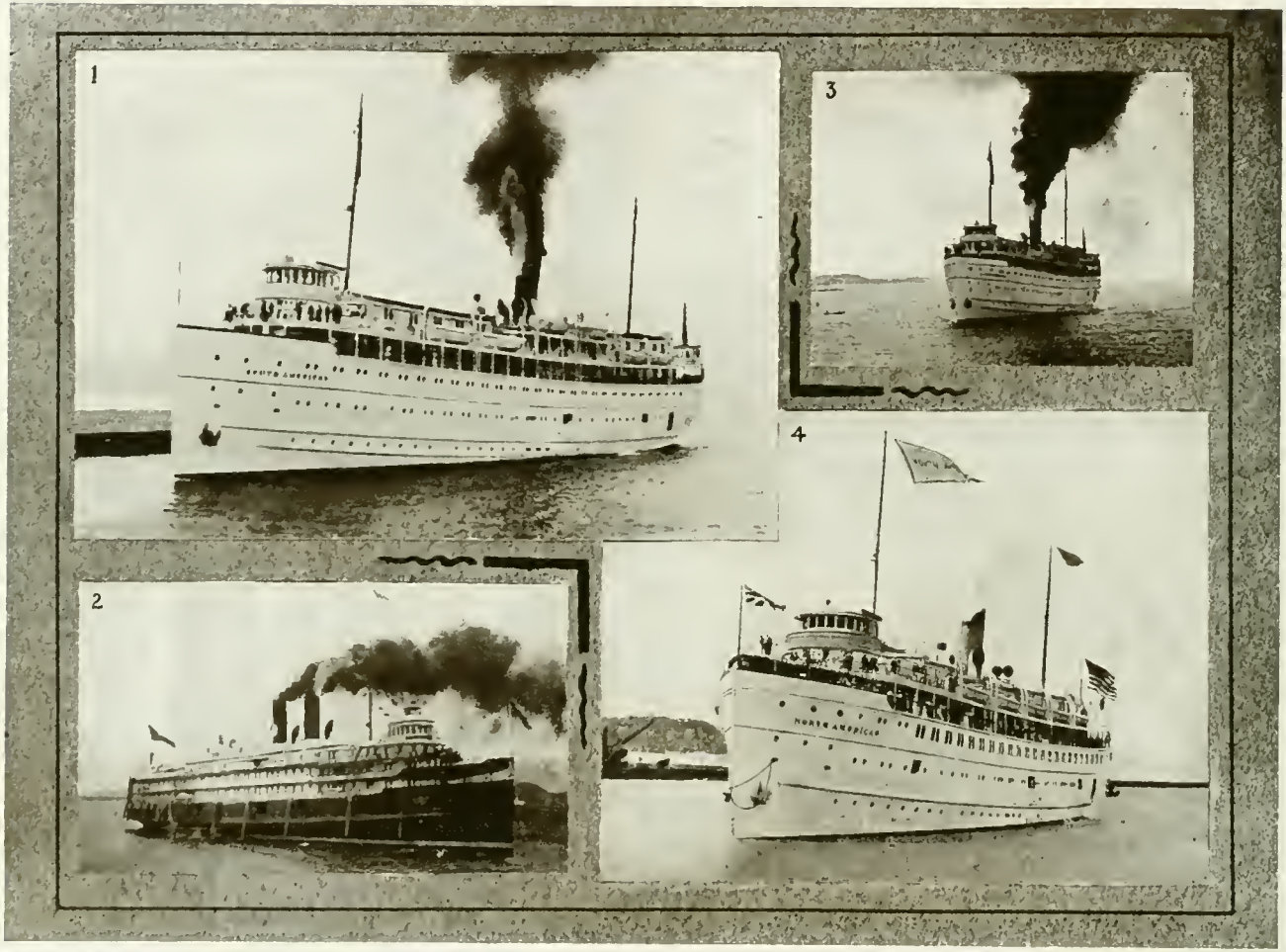
Minnicoganashene Summer Resort, Among the 30,000 Islands

1—Wahwahtaysee (Alexanders'). 2—Sans Souci.



Steamers of the Dominion Transportation Co. Ltd.

1. Str. Caribou. 2. Str. Hibou. 3. Str. Manitou.



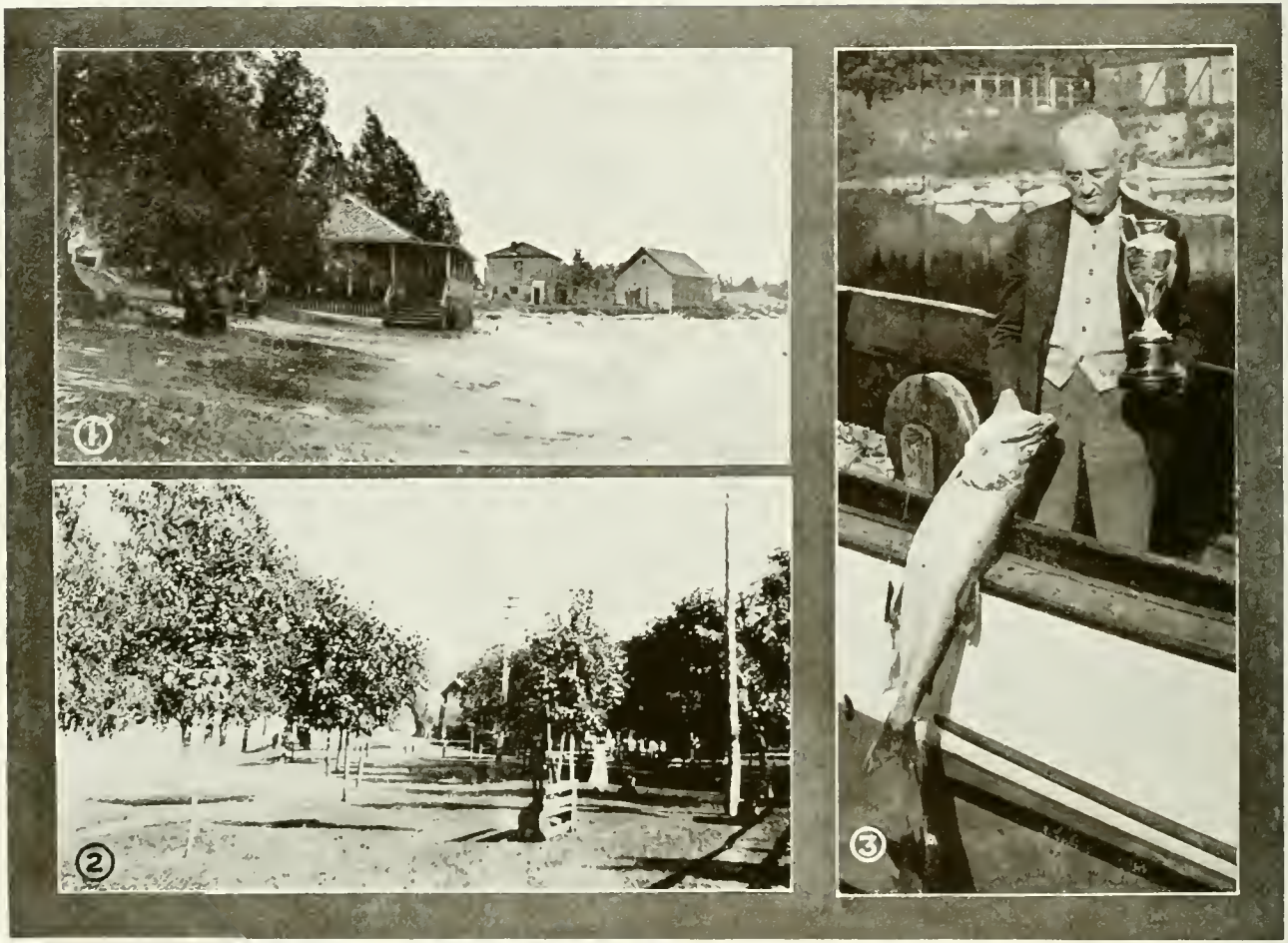
American Tourist Steamers on Georgian Bay

1—Chicago, Duluth and Georgian Bay Tourist Co.'s Str. "South American" 2—D. and C. Liner "City of Cleveland" (on Special Trip) 3—Str. "South American." 4—C. D. and G. B. T. str. "North American."

Miles of Sand Beach at Wasaga Beach

Scenes in some of the principal ports of the Georgian Bay, Owen Sound, Midland and Collingwood

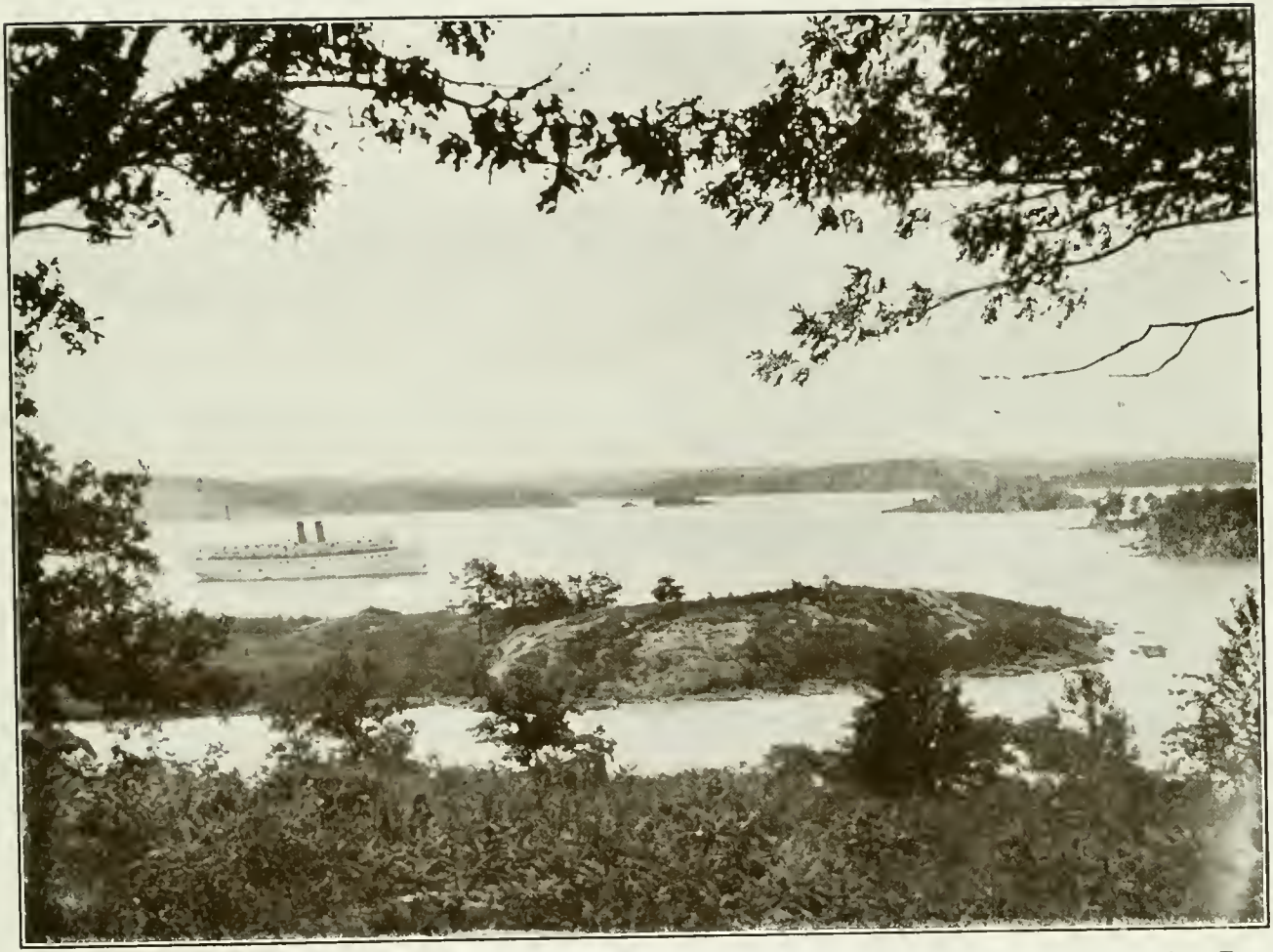
View from the Tower of the Ojibway Hotel, Point au Baril



1 and 2—Scenes at Raper Park, Meaford. 3—Mr. H. W. Bates, St. Catharines, winner Meaford Silver Cup for 1926 for largest salmon trout caught in Meaford bay. Fish weighed 28 lbs. 8 ozs.

1—Westside Cliffs Overlooking Wiarton Bay. 2—Wiarton Park. 3—Oxenden Falls.
4—Entrance to Bruce's Cave, Oxenden.

Rafting Scene Among the Islands



View from the Hotel Belvedere, Parry Sound. The Str. North American may be seen leaving Parry Sound for Detroit.

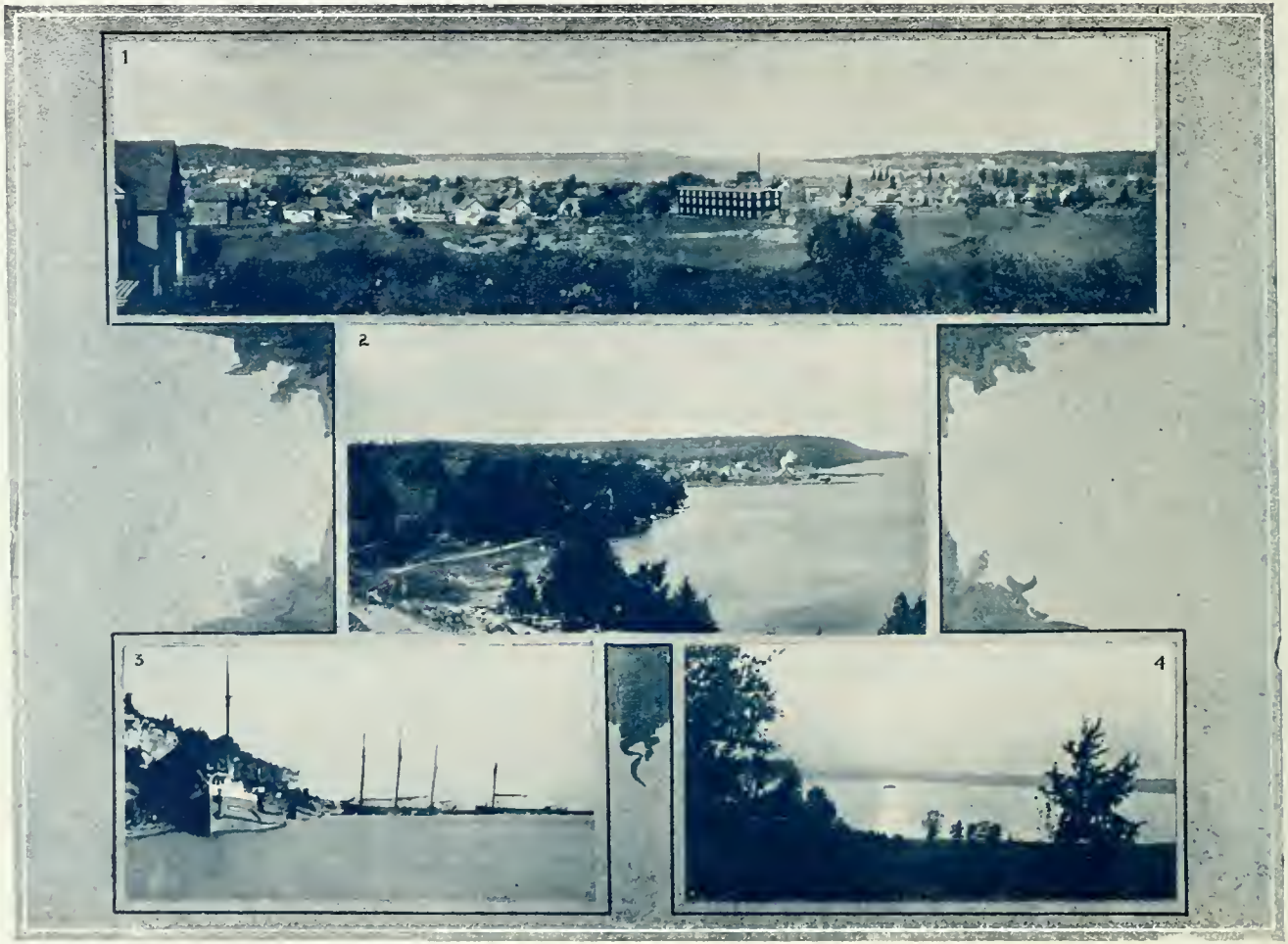
Scenes at Honey Harbor

1—Bone Island. 2—Channel Between Victoria House and Royal Hotel. 3—Steamer Calling at Victoria House. 4—Dog Channel. 5—Rapids at Old Mill on Muskosh River.

1—Harrison Park Inn, at Harrison Park, Owen Sound.
2—Sydenham River at Harrison Park, Owen Sound.

Rose Point Hotel, near Parry Sound

View from the Verandah of the Ojibway Hotel, Point au Baril



1—View of Wiarton and Colpoy's Bay 2—Village of Colpoy's 3—Harbor Scene at Wiarton
4—Sunrise at Wiarton